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and believe these amendments place the application in condition for allowance,

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 14, with the following paragraph:

The application is a continuation-in-part of co-pending application serial number 09/251,955, filed February 17, 1999, abandoned, which was a continuation-in-part of copending application serial number 08/473,168, filed June 7, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,919,676, which was a ... continuation-in-part of copending application serial number 08/250,885, filed May 31, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 6,140,087, which was a continuation-in-part of application-serial number. 08/080,727, filed June 24, 1993, abandoned. This application also is a continuation-in-part of application serial number 08/719,217, filed September 25, 1996, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,080,569, which is a continuation-in-part of copending application serial number 08/473,168,... filed June 7, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,919,676, which is a continuation-in-part of copending application serial number 08/250,885, filed May 31, 1994, now issued as U.S. Patent-No. 6,140,087, which is a continuation-in-part of application serial number 08/080,727, filed June 24. 1993, abandoned.

A marked-up version of the above amendments is provided separately.

Claims 1-4, 8, 9, and 13-15 are pending in the application following withdrawal of claims 5 and 10-12 as being drawn to a nonelected invention.